The Bible and Daily Living

Faith is adversity

By WILLIAM L. TRIMYER
FAITH IN ADVERSITY
Bible Study Passage: James 5:7-18
Lesson for May 27, 1984

INTRODUCTION

Courage is fear that has said its prayers. Sometimes the Christian faith is sorely tested by the winds of adversity. We may face hazards along the way that can cripple our wills to go one. Such hazards will surely test our faith.

James wrote with intense concern for those who suffered oppression, but he encouraged those who suffer to hang tough. In words, those who are oppressed can be a marvelous witness to the faith by "hanging in there" during adverse times. Stick-to-itiveness is a must for Christians.

It may be difficult to bear witness when we are under fire from the enemies in life. How do we sing the songs of Zion when we are in a strange and perhaps hostile land? Anyone can sing in the daylight, but it requires something more to sing when all is dark. That "something more" is the steadfast assurance that Christ never fails those who love him. He walks with us down lonely and uncertain paths.

ENDURING WITHOUT GRUMBLING [James 5:7-11]

James urged people to be patient because it was believed that Jesus would soon return. We may find it difficult to adopt a stance of patience when we are going through hard times. We don't like to wait in the zip code society in which we live.

James borrows some illustrations to support his plea for patience. Then James encourages his readers not to grumble among themselves, for grumbling produces divisions. He further reminds his readers that many of the prophets endured intense suffering.

CONTROLLING EMOTIONS [James 5:12-18]

Oaths were used frequently in the first century to support a person's position. Oaths were used to persuade others to believe the words of another. The point James makes is that the Christian should be the kind of person whose speech should not be subject to suspect. In others words, say what you mean and mean what you say. Today Christians do not need to use oaths to support what they say.

Verse 13 is call to prayer. James says that the controlling mood of the Christian is to pray and sing psalms during life's glad and sad moments.

THE POWER OF PRAYER [James 5:14-18]

The referral to annointing with oil is a trouble spot for some. But James sees anointing as a preparation for life rather than as a preparation for death as it came to be interpreted in Catholic tradition.

These verses point to the power of presence, prayer, and touch. Christians have the powerful gifts of presence, prayer and touch to give care to the sick. When visiting the sick or bereaved we may think we must have something clever to say to ease the person's pain. But words sometimes fail to hit the mark. Just being there can communicate the care and presence of Christ. After all, when we go to the sick or imprisoned we do not take Christ to such people, for he is already there. We go to mirror the love and compassion of Christ through our presence and care.

Ponder these questions:

1. Why is it we have such trouble with patience?

2. How can Christians exercise their ministries of prayer, presence, and touch?

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Kevin Boggs completes degree work

Michael Kevin Boggs

Michael Kevin Boggs of Durham has completed the requirements for graduation from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and has been awarded the Master of Divinity degree at Commencement Exercises on May 12, 1984.

Boggs, the son of Rev. Thomas R. Boggs and the late Vera M. Boggs who live at Lynchburg, Va. is a graduate of Nelson County High School and Ferrum College.

Boggs is married to Pamela Chenault Boggs of Appomattox, Virginia.

Galilee Church news notes

Blessings are upon the head of the just; but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked. Proverbs 10:6

The Rev. Raymond Turner deli vered a very inspiring message this past Sunday at Galilee. He was accompanied by the Rev. Crumley in the pulpit. We were pleased to have visitors present. The YSD singers rendered special music.

The Men's Day celebration at 3 p.m. was very successful. The Rev. Terry and the Men's Chorus from Free Spring Baptist Church were our special guests. The afternoon was enjoyed by all present.

Spring revival services began at Galilee Monday night. The following schedule will be carried out during this week:

Monday night - The Rev. R.Q.Lawing, Jr. and the Galilee senior choir.

Tuesday night - The Rev. D.A. Wynn and First Baptist senior choir.

Wednesday night - The Rev. Johnny Paige and Promise Land senior choir.

Thursday night - The Rev. C.L. Elliott and choir.

Friday night - The Rev. Edward Austin and Mt. Zion senior choir of Concord.

Please come out and enjoy the revival messages planned for us.

Mr. Jimmy Gale Stevens, formerly of Appomattox, passed away in Baltimore. He was the brother of Miss Lora Stevens of Appomattox. He leaves one stepdaughter and three grandchildren, and other relatives. Funeral services will be held in Philadelphia Wednesday.

Mrs. Pearl Scruggs O'Brien of Washington, D.C., was funeralized at Morning Star Baptist Church on Monday at 2 p.m. Mrs. O'Brien was a member of the Scruggs family of Evergreen community. Let us remember the sick, shut-in and bereaved everywhere.

A beautiful Ladies Day program was held at Canaan Baptist Church this past Sunday. Ma.y churches were represented. Galilee was represented at the celebration. Our special thanks to the First Baptist Senior Choir for accompanying the Rev. Tim Lawing, who delivered the message.

The Appomattox voters league will meet at the Spout Spring community center on Monday, May 28 at 7 p.m. Let us support our civic organizations.

Mr. George W. Stevens is improving at his home.

It is our wish that everyone will have a beautiful week. We must keep our eyes upon Jesus and He'll take care of the rest. Love to all from Galilee.

Family Day scheduled

The Eighth Annual Family Day Celebration will be held at Springfield Baptist Church of Appomattox, Sunday, May 27, 1984.

Morning service will begin at 11:00 a.m. and afternoon service will begin at 2:115 p.m.

The Rev. Franklin Blackman, choir leader, pianist & Redskin fan, will be in charge of the services. Dinner will be served by the ladies of the church.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Youth take charge at New Hope

The Youth of New Hope Baptist Church will be in charge of the morning worship service this Sunday, May 27, according to the pastor, the Rev. Robert Williams.

Youth minister, Steve Schueren, will be bringing the morning message. The youth of the church will be ushering, taking the offering, and providing special music.

All members and visitors are invited to attend.

New Hope is a Southern Baptist Church located five miles east of Aplpomattox on Highway 24.

"New Hope cares about you and your family," said Rev. Williams.

Pancake supper set

The Pamplin United Methodist Youth Fellowship will have a pancake supper on May 26 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Supper will be served in the fellowship hall of the Pamplin United Methodist Church.

This is an all-you-can-eat supper. The price is $3 for adults and $2 for children under 12. Everyone is welcome.

Obituaries

Charles Goodman Beasley

Charles Goodman Beasley, 92, of Campbell County died Thursday night in Lynchburg General Hospital. His wife was the late Clara Bryant Beasley.

He was born in Appomattox County, Hollywood section, a son of the late King David and Sally Davidson Beasley. He was a retired farmer and was employed by Craddock-Terry Shoe Corp. for 35 years. He was a member and lifetime deacon of Sandusky Baptist Church.

He is survived by five sons, Clayton G. Beasley, Harold B. Beasley and Linton Corlise Beasley, all of Lynchburg, C. Randolph Beasley of Madison Heights and E. Raphael Beasley of Groton, Conn.; two daughters, Phyllis B. Willett of Florissant, Mo., and Corrine B. Gott of Roanoke; 26 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held today at 3:30 p.m. in Sandusky Baptist Church by the Rev. Ralph Jackson. Interment was in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

Diuguid Rivermont Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Miss Meredith Brisentine

Mrs. Miss Meredith Brisentine, 83, of Prospect, died Sunday, May 13, in Farmville. She was the widow of Walker Davis Brisentine.

Born May 15, 1900 in Appomattox County, she was a daughter of Henry John Meredith and Lucy Jane Bell Meredith.

She was a member of the Prospect United Memorial Metodist Church where she taught Sunday School for many years.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Dorothy B. Campbell of Prospect; Mrs. Sarah B. Mick of Chester, Va.; Mrs. Ruth B. Middlebrooks of Chesepeake, Va.; and Mrs. Mary L. Campbell of Prospect; two sisters, Mrs. Eva M. Jamerson of Spout Spring and Mrs. Jame M. Wooldridge of Roanoke; 12 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday, May 15 at 2 p.m. from the Prospect United Methodist Church with interment in the church cemetery.

Shorter Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

Pauline Wright Bryant

Pauline Wright Bryant, 56, of Route 2, Gladstone, died May 14, 1984.

She was the daughter of the late Roy B. Wright and Lelia Adcock Wright.

She is survived by her husband, Ralph D. Bryant; one daughter, Virginia Mathena of Clayton, N.C.; two sons, Ralph H. Bryant of Roanoke and Richard Bryant of Gladstone; one brother, Roy Wright Jr. of Gordonsville; 11 sisters, Dorothy McCormick of Gladstone, Grace Craddock, Nancy Tomlin, Rose Lee Lunsford and Susie Shelton, all of Lynchburg, Hallie Cunningham, Ruth Trent, Rosalie Mitchell, Melva Ayers and Donna Johnson, all of Appomattox, and Naomi Bane of Petersburg, and nine grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Thursday at 3-p.m. at Dunkum Funeral Home, Dillwyn. Interment was in Maple Grove Pentecostal Church cemetery.

Dunkum Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Elbert Lacy Collins

Elbert (Buck) Lacy Collins, 65, of Lynchburg died at 8:20 p.m. Monday, May 14, at the VA Hospital in Salem after a long illness.

He was born in Botetourt County, a son of the late William Edward Collins and Zena Goff Collins.

He is survived by his wife, Maxine Griffin Collins; three sons, Ronnie L. Collins and Arthur G. Collins, both of Lynchburg, and Albert M. Collins of Concord; one daughter, Cynthia Collins Agnew of Lynchburg; two sisters, Macie Horne and Margaret Hudson, both of Lynchburg, and six grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Thursday at 2 p.m. in Diuguid Rivermont Chapel. Interment followed in Big Island Cemetery.

Diuguid Rivermont Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Ray Newton McKenzie

Ray Newton McKenzie, 50, of Route 1, Gladstone, died Sunday, May 20, 1984 in Lynchburg General Hospital after a long illness. He was the husband of Jeannein Creasey McKenzie.

Born in Nelson County, he was a son of Mildred Hansel McKenzie of Tye River and the late Edward Henry McKenzie. He was an employee of Industrial Personnel Company, a member of John Ancell Masonic Lodge No. 255 AF&AM and Gladstone Memorial Baptist Church.

In addition to his wife and mother, he is survived by a son, Charles G. McKenzie, Alexandria; two daughters, Marlene M. Gallion of Daytona, Texas, and Vickie M. Hanchey, Richmond; two brothers, William Edward McKenzie, Roanoke, and Ronald Hammer McKenzie, Tye River; three sisters, Mrs. E.L. Watts, Richmond, and Mary E. McKenzie and Nancy M. Hinton, both of Type River; and 13 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m., today, (Wednesday) in Whitten Monelison Chapel by the Rev. James N. Williams. Interment was in Dale Memorial Park in Richmond at 11 a.m. Thursday.

Whitten Monelison Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Lawrence Elizabeth Burch Wilmer

Lawrence Elizabeth Burch Wilmer, 80, of Amherst, died Wednesday, May 16, in a Staunton hospital. Her husband was the late Lindsay J. Wilmer.

Born in Amherst County, she was a daughter of the late Howard Talfye Burch and Alice Davis Burch. She was a member of Mineral Springs Baptist Church.

She is survived by one daughter, Janice W. Childress of Gladstone and three sisters, Mrs. Lewis (Rosa) Bradley of Amherst, Mrs. Jean Durham of Roanoke and Mrs. Gary (Rachel) Bowyer of Hurt; four brothers, Edward F. Burch of Monroe, Howard David Burch and Emerly Lee Burch, both of Baltimore, Md., and William McKinley Burch of Amherst, and three grandchildren.

A funeral service was conducted at 11 a.m. Friday at Piney River Funeral Home. Burial was in Mount Pleasant Church cemetery.

Piney River Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

James Edgar Wright

James Edgar Wright,80,of Roseland died May 14.1984 at Lynchburg General Hospital.

Born in Nelson County Sept.28,1903, he was the son of the late J. Thomas and Melissa Morris Wright. He was retired farmer and a member of Jonesboro Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy Kidd Wright; a son, Alvin Wright, and a daughter, Charlotte Wright, both of Appomattox; two grandchildren, Kathy Wright, Madison Heights, and Susan Wright, Appomattox; and a sister, Mrs. Blanche W. Bryant, Route 3, Amherst.

Graveside funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. today (Wednesday) at Jonesboro Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Piney River Funeral Home.

Mt Airy news notes

The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. James 5:16.

On Saturday, May 26, at 6 p.m. the Deaconess Board will celebrate their anniversary.

On Saturday, June 2 at 7 p.m. the Scott Zion Men's Chorus will be singing. It is sponsored by the Senior Choir.

The Faithful Five will celebrate their anniversary on Sunday at 3 p.m. Many of your favorite groups will be appearing in the program.

The Junior Choir will be singing at the First Baptist Church in South Lynchburg on Friday night. The bus will leave the church at 6:30 p.m.

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Denise Cecelle Jeffrey and Richard Allen Jones

Jeffrey, Jones will marry

Anne E. Jeffrey of Evington announces the engagement of her daughter, Denise Cecelle, to Richard Allen Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bates Jones of Spout Spring.

Miss Jeffery attends Central Virginia Community College and is a June candidate for an A.A.S. degree.

Mr. Jones attends CVCC and is employed by Southern States Lynchburg Cooperative Inc.

The wedding is planned for Oct. 13 at 2 p.m. in Salem United Methodist Church in Spout Spring, Virginia.

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UDC holds meeting

By MARGARET LEE

The Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy met Thursday, May 17 at noon at Maudes' Restaurant, with Mrs. Hazel Lee Martin, president, presiding.

Pledge of allegiance to the U.S. Flag and salute to the Virginia Flag and the Confederate Flag were given by the group.

Mrs. Martin read the ritual and the confederate prayer.

A report was given by members who attended the Third District Conference at Chatham, Va. on April 28.

It was announced that the Virginia U.D.C. Division Convention will be held Oct. 1-4 at Hollidge Inn at Tyson's Corner, McLean, Va.

October 27-31 the United Daughters of the Confederacy general conference will be held at John Marshall Hotel, Richmond, Virginia.

Delegates to the Virginia Convention and the General Conference were named.

The executive committee voted to make a $25 contribution to Felhem Chapel, Virginia Division Headquarters, in memory of Mary Covington Bagby, also to Jamie Lee Plunkett.

Mrs. Lucille Ferrell, historian presented the program on "Camp Douglas", Illinois.

The meeting concluded with the group joining hands, singing Blest Be The Tie, led by Mrs. Lucille LaPorce.

A dinner meeting will be held on June 21 at 6 p.m. at the Heritage Inn.

For reservations call Mrs. Hazel Lee Martin 352-8934.

photo by Joe Vaughan

Pamela Sue Smith and Philip Edward Paulette

Smith, Paulette will wed

Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Smith of Gladstone announce the engagement of their daughter, Pamela Sue, to Philip Edward Paulette, son of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Paulette of Appomattox.

Miss Smith was graduated from Central Virginia Community College and is presently employed by the Babcock & Wilcox Company in Lynchburg.

Mr. Paulette received a B.A. degree in management economics and religion from Hampden-Sydney College. He is presently employed by The Farmers National Bank in Appomattox.

The wedding will be an event of September 8.

Attendants are honoreed

Molly Ruth Handy and her mother, Elaine M. Handy, entertained May 19 with a luncheon in the Jefferson Restaurant in the Radisson Hotel in honor of the attendants in Miss Handy's upcoming wedding to Mark Douglas Thomas.

Sharing honors were Susan E. Handy, sister of the bride-elect and maid of honor; Evelyn Y. Crain, Lorna C. Goin, Julie F. Green, cousins of the bride-elect and her mother, Shelby H. Green; Carolyn A. Turner, Julie B. Johnson, cousins of the bride-elect and flower girl, and her mother Judy M. Johnson.

Ruth T. Thomas, mother of the groom, was also honored.

The Handy-Thomas wedding is planned for 2 o'clock the afternoon of June 16 at Liberty Baptist Church.

Shower honors Miss Thompson

Lora Kay Thompson, whose marriage to David Stratton will take place on June 2 at the home of the groom's parents, was honored May 18 with a miscellaneous shower.

Hostesses for the shower were Mrs. W.E. Bondurant, Jr., Mrs. John Routon, Mrs. Dallas Gillaspie, and Mrs. J.D. Tabor, entertaining at the Bondurant home.

On Thursday, May 24 Miss Thompson was honored with a crystal shower at the home of Mrs. Marjorie Sprouse; hostesses for the party were Mrs. Jean Tyree, aunt of the bride elect.

On May 28, Pat Lewis, April Archer, and Stephanie Martin entertained with a miscellaneous shower for Miss Thompson.

Luncheon honors Miss Frazier

Mrs. Emmett McCraw entertained with a luncheon at the Heritage Inn on Saturday, May 19, in honor of Miss Anita Frazier, bride-elect.

The marriage of Miss Frazier to John A. Mathews, Jr., will be an event of July 21 in Elkton, Va.

and Mrs. Ida Tyree, grandmothers of the couple; Mrs. Corrine Frazier and Mrs. John A. Mathews, mothers of the bride and groom; Mrs. Frances Lane and Mrs. Betty Booker, aunts of the groom; Mrs. Nancy Greenwood and Mrs. Margaret Graham, sisters of the

Young homemakers meet

The April 2 meeting of the Young Homemakers was held at the home of Mrs. Dale Hampton. The Rev. Larry Durrette was the guest speaker. He presented a program on "A Time for Sharing". At the meeting it was decided to initiate a dental fluoride rinse program at the Concord Elementary School. This program will begin in the 1984-1985 school year.

On May 7 the Young Homemakers met at the home of Mrs. Betty Grimm. Mrs. Shirley Walton, the guest speaker, presented a program on improving homemaking skills and saving time. Mrs. Walton will be guest speaker at the November meeting of Young Homemakers, where she will prepare a full course dinner using a microwave oven.

The Young Homemakers donated seventeen pies to the Concord Volunteer Fire Department Carnival held on April 27. Several of the members of the club also helped serve dinner at the Carnival.

Young Homemakers Week was May 14-18. On Wednesday, May 16, our Concord Chapter President, Mrs. Maureen Shupe, and our Area President, Mrs. Helen Franklin, appeared on WSET-TV 13 program, Metro, at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Charlotte Asberman interviewed them about Young Homemakers Week and waht the Young Homemakers are about.

On May 16, the Concord Young Homemakers prepared a covered dish luncheon for the senior citizens at the Sheirwill Community Center.

The Area meeting of Young Homemakers of Virginia will be held on Saturday, June 16, at Riversahead High School in Staunton, Virginia. Ta meeting will be a covered dish luncheon and all members who will be attending are asked to bring an item for auction.

The June meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Pat Wariner on Sunday, June 3, at 4 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish.

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Shower honors bride-elect

Cheryl M. LeGrand was honored Sunday, May 20, with a floating lingerie and linen shower at the home of Mrs. Kathy Womack and Mrs. Margie L. Layne.

Refreshments were served and many nice gifts were received by Ms. LeGrand.

The marriage of Ms. LeGrand to Mr. Eddie Ragland will take place on Sunday, June 3, 1984 at Red Oak Baptist Church in Oakville.

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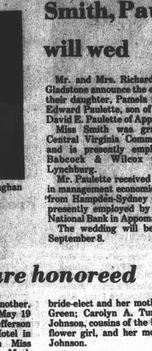
Goin, Moore engaged to marry

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goin announce the engagement of their daughter, Peggy Goin, to Richard C. Moore, son of Mrs. Rebecca Moore and the late Henry C. Moore.

The wedding will be an event of August 18 at seven o'clock in the evening at New Hope Baptist Church.



Peggy Goin

Birth announced

Master Adam LeGrand Stratton, of Appomattox, is pleased to announce the birth of his sister, Angela Danielle Stratton, born May 10 at Virginia Baptist Hospital, Lynchburg, and weighing 6 pounds and 6 ounces. They are the children of Darlene M. and G. Daniel Stratton.

Maternal grandparents are Mrs. Carolyn G. Meadows, of Lynchburg, and Ramsey Meadows, of Evington. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall Stratton of Concord.

Maternal great grandparents are Valera Goad, Lloyd Goad and Reva Meadows, all of Gretna.

Moores announce birth

Charles and Freda Moore are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Candice Paige, born May 7, 1984 at 5:08 p.m. at Virginia Baptist Hospital. Candice weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Candice has a six-year-old sister, Kim, and a four-year-old brother, Little Charlie.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Omar Moore, Sr., Mrs. Kay Totty and Carl Bryant of Gladstone.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herman Woody and Mr. Jessie Bryant of Gladstone and Mrs. Frances Moore of Appomattox.

Strattons announce birth

Tom and Julia M. Stratton of Concord are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Ginna Lee Stratton, born in Virginia Baptist Hospital on Sunday, May 20. She weighed sight pounds, 10 ounces and was 21 inches in length.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wallace D. Moore of Appomattox.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. Marshall Stratton of Concord.

Maternal great-grandmothers are Mrs. Ruby Harris and Mrs. Mable Moore, both of Appomattox.

Books announce birth

Andrew Ryan and his parents, Rick and Susan Book proudly announce the birth of Sean Westberly on May 17 at Virginia Babtist Hospital. He weighed 10 pounds and 10 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Mark Weatherly of Appomattox.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Book also of Appomattox.

Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Book and Mrs. Elda Anneles, all of Kansas.

A tasty fruit

History of the strawberry

By SHIRLEY W. WALTON
Extension Agent

The strawberry is a small plant belonging to the rose family and is grown throughout the country for its tasty fruit. Strawberries are usually very plentiful in this part of the state and the fruit has an interesting history.

The strawberry was originally grown in northern Europe, but wild species are also found in Russia, Chile, and the United States. The first American species of the strawberry was cultivated around 1535. Today every state in the United States and every province in Canada grows the strawberry plant.

Strawberry plants can be planted in any garden soil but the richer the soil, the larger and more bountiful the crop. The plant grows best in a cool, moist climate and does not do well in warm temperatures. The strawberries are usually planted in rows but runners soon take over the entire garden so that it is difficult to find the rows, and people refer to their strawberry garden as a strawberry patch.

When picking strawberries, you should select strawberries with a rich red full color and a bright luster. The berries should have firm flesh and the cap still attached. The berries should be dry and clean. It is not smart to pick your berries when they are ladenec with dew or just after a rain. Medium

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Good News For Homemakers
HOME ECONOMICS

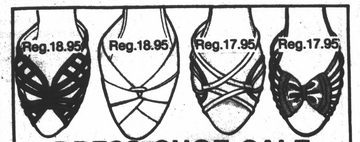
Buggs take trip

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bugg spent Sunday of last week in Richmond at the James River Festival, and Shochoe Slip. They took the Twilight Cruise on the ship the American Patriot down the James River.

Bondurant wins ham

Joy Bondurant of Concord won a ham in a contest sponsored by the Meadowlark Homemakers Club.

Dr. Vigo Nielson selected the winning ticket in the contest.



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